SFY23 CNSGP Application Assistance Webinar



TOPIC	QUESTION	ANSWER
	Can Catholic Schools apply to the grant?	Yes, they are eligible to apply for this grant.
Eligibility	Can museums apply if they meet all other criteria? Or is it just faith-based institutions, medical and health care facilities, and other human service entities?	Yes, you can apply if you are a nonprofit organization.
	Is there a penalty for organizations that previously received a federal NSGP?	No penalties but first-time applicants will be a priority in funding.
	If an organization has received a grant that benefited one of its subsidiary organizations, will their current grant request for another subsidiary be of equal priority as a first-time applicant?	Yes, if they are separate locations.
	Can previous awardees still apply? My understanding is yes but receives lower priority with scoring.	Yes, that is correct.
	Are public schools eligible to apply?	Public Schools are not eligible because they are part of a municipality.
	If we do not own the building, are we eligible to apply? If yes, is there a length of the lease that is required?	Yes, equipment can be for buildings owned or leased.

Allowable Costs	Could this grant be used for cybersecurity assessments, insurance, and improvements?	No, cybersecurity investments are not allowable
	If selected to receive a grant, are we allowed to split the funding among projects?	Yes, that is allowed but you need to list and prioritize what you are requesting for funding by its level of need and importance. Add that to your description.
	If you have used grant money in the past for a particular item and want to layer on additional improvements, can we do so? (i.e. If you added bollards in the past and want more near the same area would that be an eligible expense?	Yes, that is allowable.
	Does salary for staff overseeing the project count as an allowable cost?	No, management and administration are not an allowable cost.
	Is training eligible ("if directly related to operation of equipment purchase")?	Yes, if you purchase a piece of equipment your staff needs to be trained on it.
	Is a Facial Recognition System on the allowed equipment list?	No, that equipment is not allowable.
	Are windows allowed?	No Windows are not allowed but safety and security film for windows/doors is allowable
	Are defibrillators allowed?	No defibrillators are not allowable
	Are fire alarms allowed?	Yes, as long as costs are reasonable. However fire sprinkler systems are not allowable.
Application	The application deadline is December 30 th - is this close of business day?	Yes, please email application documents by 4 PM on 12/30
	May we apply for a \$150,000 Grant if we are in a UASI region?	No, you can only apply for up to \$100,000.

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	May we submit our Security Assessment for the property?	Yes, it is not required by you may submit it with your application.
	No hard copy submittal, right?	Correct, no hard copies.
	Are scoring points deducted if an institution has received a grant in the past?	No, points are not deducted.
	How do you define organizational need besides risk of terrorism or hate crime?	You can review your security needs through a self-assessment: https://www.cisa.gov/publication/houses-worship-security-self-assessment or consult your local law enforcement for guidance.
	Do you look at the size/resources of the organization as part of organizational need?	Yes, that is taken into consideration.
	Our federal grant for our organization before this was in 2018. If the security measures we want to install are for this organization, will this be considered as a first-time application?	It depends if they are in separate buildings then they would be considered first-time applicants.
	Does match funding from other funding sources enhance an application?	No, matching funds are not required.
	Do you award partial grants, and if so, is there a way to demonstrate what items are of priority for us?	Yes, in your project narrative you can state your priorities.
	Are organizations with locations in unsafe neighborhoods and subject to vandalism either from community members or recipients themselves eligible if acts are not necessarily tied to hate crimes?	Yes, please describe the extent of incidences in your area.
	What type of relevant local data do you suggest for the needs assessment and how do you recommend organizations collect that data?	You can look for local/regional articles related to safety and security.
	Does the organization need to own the building or have a long-term lease?	You can own or lease the building.

	Is the period of performance only 6 months?	Yes, the SFY23 period of performance is 6 months.
Contract	Is funding provided on a reimbursement basis?	No, funds will be advanced once a contract has been signed.
	In the past, contractors had to sign an authorized signatory listing form. Is that required for FY23 as part of the application?	The Contractor Authorized Signatory Listing (CASL) is for your organization as a "contractor" of the state. Please add all staff who will sign grant documents on behalf of your organization. It is recommended to have more than one person listed on the CASL.
	Is funding provided on a reimbursement basis?	No, funds will be advanced once a contract has been signed.
Budget	Some equipment will require both installation and licensing. Should these both be itemized under contractors?	They can be put under equipment cost category.
	If the budget uses a quote for one contractor (say, a security sys. installer) but we get a better quote in after the grant is submitted, can we go with the other contractor? Or do we need to use the one in the grant as submitted?	Yes, we realized budgets are just an estimate.
	If awarded, do you need to use the same contractor as the one who provided quotes?	No, the quotes are just estimates.
Federal Grant	Is there another Homeland Security grant coming up this fiscal year?	Yes, the Federal NSGP will be available in the Spring.